PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION		12. CUNCLUSIONS D Was Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local GMT	Bunker Hill AFB 4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual Binoculars Air Visual	Ground-Radar Air-Intercept Radar	□ Was Astronomical □ Probably Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	Military & Cit	9. COURSE	Other
approx 9 1/2 hrs	one	stationary	Insufficient Data for Evaluation
Pear shaped obj, between size of a dime & an orange, colors varied in white, cream, & metallic. Obj had domething trailing beneath it. Ghe general opinion was that the obj moved in N to SW rising slightly. Obj was seen until dusk, at which time it became indistinguishable.		The obj has all the characteristics of a high alt balloon. T-33. went to 37,000ft in effort to identify obj. Obj still well above a/c. Check made w/General Mills and balloon not theirs. Possibly Raven Ind or Goodyear or other research organization balloon. However, since there is no confirmation this sighting is classified as "unidentified"	

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ANY CALLS PERTAINING TO THIS SIGHTING. THE LOGANSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED NUMEROUS CALLS. ALL STATEMENTS TAKEN WERE IN AGREEMENT, WITH ONE EXCEPTION, MR.K. STUDENT PILOT WHO WAS FLYING A CESSNA 172 AT 3,000 FEET IN THE KOKOMO MUNICIPAL AIRPORT LOCAL AREA STATED THAT HE SAW AN OBJECT DIRECTLY AHEAD. MR. VEERED SHARPLY TO THE RIGHT LOSING SIGHT OF OBJECT MOMENTARILY. AT FIRST HE THOUGHT IT WAS AN AIRCRAFT COMING DIRECTLY AT HIM BUT LATER UPON REFLECTION HE DECIDED IT COULD BE A BALLOON. MR. STATED HE WAS EXCEEDLY "SHOOK" AND RETURNED TO THE KOKOMO AIRPORT.D DUE TO MR. INEXPERIENCE WITH AIRCRAFT, IT IS MY OPINION THAT HIS SIGHTING WAS THE BALLOON. TO ASCERTAIN THE PROBABILITY THAT A WEATHER STATION HAD LAUNCHED A WEATHER BALLOON, MR. A MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, KOKOMO, IND, CONTACTED THE WEATHER STATIONS WITHIN AN AREA OF: 100 MILES WEST, 200 MILES NORTH, 300 MILES EAST, AND 120 MILES SOUTH. A NEGATIVE REPLY WAS RECEIVED BY MR. FROM THESE STATIONS.

L. EXISTANCE OF PHYSICAL EVIDENCE, SUCH AS MATERIALS AND PHOTOS:

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335-08 Lowry AFB Oudley 85-411 11 + 14 Sep Towry has record of Sen, mills faunch on 11 and 14 lept, but not on 13 lep.

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From 1700 until dark, the object had traveled approx 20 miles.

AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER UNITED STATES AIR FORCE WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE OHIO



REPLY TO

SUBJECT:

UFO Sighting reported by Maj. DeSutter, Pentagon Command Post

TO:

UFO sighting was reported by SAC to Maj. DeSutter in the Pentagon Com-mand Post.

Maj. Friend was called at 2030 and he will take necessary action in the merning, Monday 14 Sept 59,

Peru, INd. exchange

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Capt USAF

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CZCSOC575ZCNUA483 PP RJEDSQ DE RJEDNJ 17 P 162115Z FM 305 BOMEWG BUNKER HILL AFB TO RJWFAL/ADC ENT AFB RJEDBWA/COMDR DETROIT AIRDEFSCTR CUSTER AFS RJEDSQ/COMDE AIR TECH INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB RJEZHQ/ HQ USAF INFO RJEBKF/2AF BARKSDALE AFB UNCLASS FROM 305DCOI 9-0427. SECTION ONE OF TWO HQ USAF ATTN AFCIN & SAFIS, 2AF ATTN DI REFERENCE AFR 200-2, DTD 5 FEB 58. SUBJ: (U) FO. A. DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT(S): (1) PEAR SHAPE (2) ESTIMATED TO BE BETWEEN THE SIZE OF A DIME AND AN ORANGE HELD AT ARM'S LENGTH. (3) COLORS VARIED FROM WHITE, CREAM AND METALLIC. (4) ONE. (5) N/A.

(6) OBJECT HAD SOMETHING TRAILING UNDER IT, FROM OBSERVATION

OF T-33 PILOT. (7) N/A (8) N/A (9) N/A B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT(S): (1) CIVILIAN PILOT ON COURSE TO LA PORTE INDIANA REPORTED AN OBJECT AT A HIGH ALTITUDE NORTH OF BUNKER HILL AFB TO THE BUNKER HILL AFB CONTROL TOWER. (2) AFTER THE CIVILIAN'S REPORT THE OBJECT WAS SIGHTED WAS SECTION BY THE CONTROL TOWER, BEARING 340 DEGREES FROM TOWER AT AN ANGLE BETWEEN 35-55 DEGREES. (3) ANGLE WAS SLIGHTLY HIGHER AT DUSK AND WAS APPROXIMATELY SOUTHWEST OF BASE. (4) THE GENERAL OPINION OF OBSERVERS WAS THAT OBJECT MOVED FROM NORTH TO SOUTHWEST RISING SLIGHTLY. (5) OBJECT WAS SEEN UNTIL DUSK AT WHICH TIME IT BECAME INDISTINGUIS HABLE. (6) OBJECT WAS FIRST SEEN BY BASE PERSONNEL APPROXIMATELY . 1800Z - 1900Z. BELEIVED TO HAVE BEEN SIGHTED ABOUT 13 SEP/1500Z BY OTHER OBSERVERS OFF BASE. OBJECT WAS WATCHED TILL DUSK. PAGE THREE RJEDNJ17 APPROXIMATE HOURS UNDER OFSERVATION NINE AND ONE HALF. C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION: (1) GROUND VISUAL AND AIR VISUAL. (2) BINOCULARS (7X50) WERE USED BY TOWER OPERATORS FOR ORC FRUATION.

(3) BEECHCRAFT SERIAL NUMBER UNKNOWN, 6522 FEET, HEADING	(
LA PORTE, INDIANA VIA KOKOMO MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, INDIANA. T-33	
AF-29732, SHOOTING GCA AT BUNKER HILL AFB. T-33 PROCEEDED TO	(
37,000 FEET. HOME BASE BELIEVED TO BE BAER FIELD, FORTWAYNE, IND.	
BEECH BONANZA, 8000 FEET, HEADING VALPARISO, INDIANA, SPEED APPROX-	
IMATELY 140 MPH, HOME BASE KOKOMO MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, INDIANA.	(
MOONEY MARK 20A, SERIAL NUMBER 1095C 8,000 FEET, HEADING VALPARISO	,
INDIANA, SPEED APPROXIMATELY 140 MPH, HOME BASE KOKOMO MUNICIPAL	
AIRPORT, INDIANA. CESSNA 172, 3,000 FEET ABOVE KOKOMO MUNICIPAL	(
AIRPORT, SPEED APPROXIMATELY 120 MPH, HOME BASE KOKOMO MUNICIPAL	
AIRPORT, INDIANA.	7
D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:	(
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(2) DAY	
E. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS:	(
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(1) BUNKER HILL AFB CONTROL TOWER.	. (
(2) BURROWS, INDIANA.	
(3) KOKOMO MUNICIPAL AIRPORT	
(4) LOGANSPORT, INDIANA.	(
F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVERS:	

, ACE 38, MOKOMO, IND, OWNER

(1) LT BASIL ALLEN, LOGANSPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT.

AGE 50,

OF A FROZEN CUSTARD DRIVE-IN.

MR. KENNETH DAVENPORT, AGE 53, 635 WEST 5TH ST., PERU, IND. (2) SSGT RICHARD M. NORTHCUTT, 1915GH AACS, BUNKER HILL AFB, CONTROL TOWER OPERATOR, GOOD. A2C ROLAND L. RUIZ, 1915TH AACS, BUNKER HILL AFB, CONTROL TOWER OPERATOR, GOOD. AIRMAN ROLAND A GROOM, DET 26 WEATHER SO, BUNKER HILL AFB WEATHER, GOOD. SSGT WILFRED C. SHARP, DET 26 WEATHER SQ, BUNKER HILL AFB, WEATHER, GOOD. PAGE FIVE RJEDNJ 17 G. WESTHER AND WINDS-ALOFT CONDITIONS AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTINGS: (1) CLEAR. (2) REPORT FROM PECRIA, ILL AT 1700Z: SURFACE/020/10X 6000/340/1 0K 10000/030/20K 16000/360/10K 220000/360/10K 30000/280/15K 50000/280/25K EDDZZJ/UNKNOWN/UNKNOWN (3) UNLIMITED. (4) PLUS 15 MILES. (5) NONE (6) N/A

KOKOMO, INDIANA.

J. N/A

I. (1) T-33 SHOOTING GCA, BUNKER HILL AFB WAS ASKED BY CONTROL TOWER TO INVESTIGATE THIS OBJECT. THIS AIRCRAFT PROCEEDED TO 37, 200 FEET. THE PILOT STATED THAT OBJECT WAS STILL WELL ABOVE HIM.

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RJEDBWA/COMDR DETROIT AIR DEFENSE SECTOR CUSTER AFS

RJEDSQ/COMDR AIR TECH INTEL CENTER WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB

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- (2) MOONEY AIRCRAFT AT 8,000 FEET PROCEEDED TO 16,000 FEET AND STATED THAT OBJECT WAS VERY HIGH.
- J. REFERENCE SECTION C-3.
- K. INVESTIGATING OFFICER: CHIEF, OPERATIONAL INTELLIGENCE BRANCH,
 305TH BOMBARDMENT WING (M) (3:), CAPTAIN GEORGE R. VAN DYKE. " IT
 IS MY OPINION AFTER CAREFUL STUDY AND ANALYSIS THAT THIS UFO WAS A
 BALLOON; TYPE UNKNOWN. THE OBJECT WAS SIGHTED BY A GREAT MANY
 PEOPLE, BOTH MILITARY AND CIVILIAN. THE BASE ISO IDD NOT RECEIVE

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at approx 1045- 18 Sep 5-9 That cake norton at Bunker Hill AFB called requesting information is to what org, was normally responsible for investigating UFO's and preparing the reports. He was informed that normaly the base intelligence section performed this function, but all bases die not have an intell section. He was also informed that the base commander were was responsible for the investigation and subsequent report. However, the Comme delegated their function to whatever organization he so desired. -fit norton also discussed the uporting format of 200-2. He felt that the format was not sufficient a facidance and offered to submitt some suggestions of his own. He was told that we would be glad to receive suggestions for review . fat norton was questioned on a few points of the UFO report submitted by his org. He stated that the object was reported to have been seen at 1000, and that it was stationary until 1200.